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EIU PRESIDENT IN JAPAN ON STUDENT-FACULTY EXCHANGE

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern President Stan Rives has returned from a February 12-18 visit to Japan to explore arrangements for a program which would bring Japanese students to EIU and provide opportunities for Eastern faculty members to study and teach in Japan.

Rives visited Senzoku Gakuen College in Kawasaki, a suburb of Tokyo, for meetings with its President and faculty members. Representatives of the Japanese college had visited Eastern in November to initiate discussions on the exchange program.

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PRESIDENT IN JAPAN

The student exchange program under consideration would bring 20-30 Japanese students, who would have completed their first two years at Senzoku Gakuen, to Eastern for completion of the last two years of their bachelor's degree program. The Japanese students would be proficient in English and would have completed a two-year curriculum at Senzoku tailored to EIU requirements.

"I visited the Senzoku College campus," said Rives, "to assure myself that we were dealing with a quality institution before finalizing any agreement. What I found was reassuring. Senzoku specializes in English, music, and early childhood education--all areas of strength at Eastern."

Although a full-scale program would not begin until 1991, Rives indicated that a few of the Japanese students from Senzoku may be admitted to Eastern prior to then.

Rives indicated he sees several advantages to Eastern in the exchange program: "It would help expose our students, 97 percent of whom are Illinois residents, to Japanese students and culture. It would do so at no cost to Illinois taxpayers since the Japanese students would be paying the full cost of their education (out-of-state tuition is three times the cost for Illinois residents). It would allow some of our faculty who are interested to study and teach in Japan. It would also compliment the area economic development effort which is increasingly concerned with Asian nations, particularly Japan."

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President in Japan

"It was an extremely interesting week to be in Japan," said Rives, "with preparations underway for the Emperor's State Funeral. The Japanese people seemed genuinely pleased that President Bush will represent the United States at the funeral."